

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-12 (Canceled).

13. (Currently Amended) A hand-held power nut runner,  
comprising:

a housing with a rotation motor, an output shaft, and a  
reduction gearing connecting the motor to the output shaft;

5 wherein the reduction gearing comprises a plurality of  
planetary gearing stages having a common ring gear supported in  
the housing, and each one of the planetary gearing stages  
includes a sun gear, a planet wheel carrier, and a plurality of  
planet wheel units engaging the ring gear and the sun gear;

10 wherein each of the planet wheel units of at least one of  
the planetary gearing stages comprises two axially spaced spur  
gears fitted to a common spindle ~~that , one of the spur gears~~  
~~being rigidly secured to the common spindle, wherein the common~~  
~~spindle~~ is rotatively journalled relative to the planet wheel  
15 carrier via a needle bearing; and

wherein one of the two axially spaced spur gears is rigidly  
secured to the common spindle, and the other one of the two  
axially spaced spur gears is supported on the common spindle via  
a wringing fit for self alignment with the rigidly secured spur  
20 gear, thereby evenly sharing a load between the two axially  
spaced spur gears.

14. (Previously Presented) A hand-held power nut runner according to claim 13, wherein the planet wheel carrier of said at least one of the planetary gearing stages is coupled to the output shaft.

15. (Previously Presented) A hand-held power nut runner according to claim 13, wherein the sun gear of said at least one of the planetary gearing stages forms part of a planet wheel carrier of a preceding planetary gearing stage.

16. (Previously Presented) A hand-held power nut runner according to claim 14, wherein the sun gear of said at least one of the planetary gearing stages forms part of a planet wheel carrier of a preceding planetary gearing stage.